ARIZONA REENTRY PROGRAM

To create safer communities by reducing re-offenses, Governor Ducey proposed pre-release workforce services for inmates to prepare them for success and self-sufficiency. On March 27, 2017, the Department of Economic Security (DES) and the Department of Corrections (ADC) opened the first Second Chance Center (SCC) targeted at serving inmates who were deemed most likely to recidivate. DES and ADC staff work together to remove barriers for SCC participants through employment readiness services and access to medical and nutritional services to prepare them for successful reentry. Results demonstrate that a steady income and sustainable employment reduce recidivism. Therefore, the agencies have expanded reentry services throughout the state.

IN THE ARIZONA STATE PRISON SYSTEM:



Over 42,000 people are incarcerated in Arizona state prisons



On average, 1,500 inmates are released from Arizona state prisons each month



92% will remain in Arizona once released



2 out of 5 former inmates will return to prison within the first three years post-release for a 41% recidivism rate

IMPACT:

SECOND CHANCE AND REENTRY CENTERS



1,692 inmates have completed the 8-week Second Chance Center program resulting in 808 placements



Reentry services are currently being provided at 9 locations throughout the state:

- Phoenix Parole Office Piestewa SCC
 - Mesa Parole Office
- Whetstone
- **Veterans Unit**
- **NATIVE HEALTH**
- Manzanita SCC
- Eagle Point SCC
- · Maricopa Reentry Center
- Pima Reentry Center



Participating inmates learn:

- basic computer skills
- hard and soft workforce skills
- on-site vocational training and more







